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PART I.

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT.

Commercial Education and Examinations.

READ—

Government Order No. 10843-5—Edn. 344-18-9, dated 14th May 1920, approving of revised rules and syllabuses of Commercial Schools and Examinations in Mysore.

2. Correspondence ending with letter No. H. C. 110 of 25-26, dated 4th November 1925, from the Inspector-General of Education, submitting for sanction revised rules and syllabuses for the Mysore Government Commercial Examinations as approved by the Board for Commercial Education and Examinations.

ORDER No. E. 3487-89—EDN. 43-25-9, DATED 30TH DECEMBER 1925.

The Inspector-General of Education states that some important changes have been made in the rules relating to Commercial Schools and Examinations since the issue of Government Order dated 14th May 1920, read above, such as the separation into two subjects of Shorthand and Typewriting, allowing private candidates to appear for the examinations in Typewriting and the collection in 8 equal instalments of the fees payable for the whole year in Commercial Schools. He states further that the rules also require revision in view of (*a*) the Government Orders discontinuing

the provision for the teaching of certain commercial subjects and the need for the introduction of higher speed test in Shorthand, (*b*) the introduction of commercial subjects as optionals under the revised S. S. L. C. scheme, and (*c*) the desirability of making the standard of examinations in Mysore not lower than that of examinations of the Madras Government in corresponding subjects. He also reports that three different Committees were appointed at different stages since 1921, to revise the rules and that the recommendations of the Committee last appointed to go into the question fully were discussed and finally approved by the Board of Commercial Examinations in the form in which the rules and syllabuses are now submitted to Government for approval.

2. The main features of the revised rules are:—

(i) Raising of the general educational qualifications for those who intend to take up Shorthand.

(ii) Grouping of the subjects into 4 separate groups with provision for the issue of Group Certificates and a Diploma.

(iii) Institution of Proficiency Examinations in Shorthand and Typewriting with provision for 3 different speeds in Shorthand.

(iv) Extension to Commercial Schools of the general procedure in regard to collection of fees in High Schools.

(v) Slight increase in the rates of application fees for private candidates and fixing of class and Examination fees for the Proficiency Examinations.

(vi) Provision for private candidates appearing for examinations in all subjects.

(vii) Raising of the minima for a second class pass and a first class pass.

3. The revised rules and syllabuses are approved and appended to this order. They will come into effect from the academic year 1926-27.

P. G. D'SOUZA,
Chief Secretary to Government.